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Subject: Re: Really really long format keywords  
Posted by [Sean Raffuse](#) on Mon, 22 Oct 2001 19:59:38 GMT  
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Hehe. The longest a line of source code can be is 256 characters

Paul van Delst <paul.vandelst@noaa.gov> wrote in message  
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> Sean Raffuse wrote:

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>> I would like to write formatted output to a file. My problem is that my

>> format specifications are too long to fit on one line in IDL, yet I

would

>> like all of the data to be written to one line.

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>> eg.

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>> printf, lun, data, format = '(a5, 5x, f5.2, f5.2 . . . . and so on . .

.

>> . . . . .)

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>> Is there a character that I can use that works like the '\$' character  
inside

>> this string?

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> Assuming the format isn't going to change too much and there are  
repeatable format specifiers,

> what about:

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> printf, lun, data, format = '(a5, 5x, 2(1x,f5.2), 7(1x,i10), etc..)'

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> How long \*is\* one line allowed to be in IDL source code anyway?

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